

SNAP SHOTS
AT HOME NEWS

The Christmas tree at Redden Mission will be held a week from tonight. Ten impersonations and sketches will be given tonight at the Railroad Y. M. C. A. by the pupils of Miss Coon Lanham.

Milton B. Troxall, member of the faculty of the Bancroft schools, will spend the holidays with his parents, Rev. and Mrs. M. F. Troxall.

The Knights of Columbus, Fourth Degree, have issued invitations to their eleventh annual ball Tuesday evening, December 30, at McRae's hall.

The noted Swedish singer, Prof. C. O. Larson of Chicago, sang several selections at the midweek meeting of the Swedish Baptist church Thursday night.

Street lights in Topeka could be seen for less than a block during the fog last night. It was ideal night for the holdup gang now terrorizing the women in the city.

Jess S. Langston, a Civil war veteran and taxpayer in Shawnee county for 43 years, filed application for the position of poor commissioner with the board of county commissioners today.

H. B. Wilson, superintendent of the city schools, has sent out a bulletin to the teachers speaking of several questions pertaining to school work and wishing them the compliments of the season.

The weather has been so warm in the last six weeks that it was hard for the people of Topeka to realize that Christmas was near at hand. But now they have awakened to the fact, and the local stores are crowded.

Many private cars containing out of town railway officials here for the stock yards hearing, stood on the tracks in the Topeka yards of the Santa Fe, Rock Island, Union Pacific and Missouri Pacific today.

Following are the newly elected officers of the Brotherhood of the Westminster Presbyterian church: President, N. H. Young; vice president, A. A. Anderson; secretary, J. D. Bryan; and treasurer, J. W. Butts.

Wistar P. Williams, former Washburn football star and a member of the Phi Delta Theta fraternity has been named president of the alumni association of the college by the executive committee of the graduates.

The Y. M. and Y. W. C. A. will hold a joint reception at the Y. W. C. A. building New Year's afternoon. At night a carnival of games will be held in the gymnasium which the general public will be invited to attend.

A. J. Stout, principal of the high school, will be as busy as ever in the Christmas holidays. He will arrange the program for the second term of school. The students have already signified what studies they wish to take.

The Women's Commercial club will hold another handiwork exhibit next Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday in the Orpheum theater building. The exhibit will be open each day from 10 o'clock in the morning until 5 o'clock in the afternoon.

This was the last day of school for the children of Topeka before the Christmas holidays. Special exercises appropriate to the Christmas season were held in practically all of the buildings this afternoon. School will be resumed January 5.

Juan Hernandez, who declares his real name is Pedro Manriel, pleaded not guilty to burglary before A. C. Bartel, clerk of the court of Topeka today. The Mexican is charged with stealing property valued at \$40 from James Holmes' shop, 323 Kansas avenue.

The Washburn college vacation of two weeks begins tomorrow. The trains out of Topeka are crowded with out of town students on the way to their homes for the Christmas and New Year's holidays. The college grants a two weeks' vacation to its students.

A postcard view in colors of the new State Journal building is now on sale at many of the postcard stands in the city. If subscribers who receive the paper by mail desire any of these cards the same will be sent postpaid by the State Journal at the rate of one cent each.

If you have ever found a thought that appealed to you in Ramblings, why not buy Book of Ramblings, by Myra Williams Jarrell, and pass it on to someone else? For sale by Hall's, Zercher's, Mills, Crosby Bros., Ralph Peterson and Blair's, North Topeka. Price 50 cents.—Adv.

The Ladies' Aid society of the First Lutheran church elected officers for the week for the ensuing year as follows: President, Mrs. A. V. Lindell; vice president, Mrs. J. G. Kerr; secretary, Mrs. J. E. Gall; and treasurer, Miss Ida Umpleby. The past year has been one of successful work for the society.

A new addition to Topeka's "actor folks" arrived Wednesday. The new arrival is a vaudeville artist and just at present is in the midst of class and being trained by Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Kumalae, vaudeville performers, who are well known in Topeka, and are living at 1016 Polk street. A son came to them Wednesday. Mr. Ku-

malae was born in the Hawaiian Islands and is of the native stock of the islands.

"Song quartette," composed of Clyde Allen, first tenor; Dick Carna, second tenor; Harry Crow, first base; Orrin Hunt, second base, will furnish the music at Masonic hall during Christmas week. They sing at a social dinner Christmas evening and at the Christmas morning sacred services.

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The result of the campaign for new members waged by the Washburn college branch of the Intercollegiate Exhibition association was that one hundred and sixty-five new names were added to the list. The object of the campaign was to make this the largest branch organization of the association.

As an advertising medium in Arkansas for the benefit of Topeka merchants the State Journal does not lay any great claims, but a subscriber of this paper living at Greenwood, Arkansas, writes that through the advertisement of a well known Topeka concern in the State Journal he has sold for that firm merchandise aggregating \$301.70.

Henry Adams, who, according to the police, stole 37 cents from the Baptist church, is charged with burglary and larceny. He is accused of stealing three dimes, one nickel and two cents, is said to be "light footed" and was brought to the court of Topeka this morning in handcuffs. "Certainly I'm not guilty," he haughtily declared at his arraignment.

C. W. Kouns, general manager of the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe railway in Topeka is confined to his bed at his home in Topeka on account of a severe and serious attack of rheumatism. General Manager Kouns has been spending considerable time at Excelsior Springs in an attempt to rid himself of the attack.

The next meeting of the Pomona grange will be held February 21 at 11 o'clock in the morning. The "Landschaft system" in Germany will be discussed. By this system money is loaned on land by the government. A meeting of the Pomona grange was held Thursday at the Y. W. C. A. building. The attendance was small, due to the poor condition of the roads.

Fifty-three boys have received invitations to attend the turkey dinner that will be given Christmas at the Central Y. M. C. A. by a Topeka man who wants to do something for the kiddies. Return postcards were sent out so it will be known just how many will attend. The wife of a man giving the dinner will assist in cooking and serving it.

Saturday will be a big day for the girls at the Topeka Provident association. At 10 o'clock in the morning the colored girls under Mrs. T. C. Whiteaker will enjoy the Christmas tree and will receive gifts. At 2 o'clock in the afternoon the members of the various sewing and cooking classes will gather around the tree. A program will be given and dolls distributed among the younger girls.

J. H. Fazel, Boy Scout commissioner for Topeka, desires to meet all the boy buglers of the city this evening in the Central Y. M. C. A. at 6:30 o'clock. The boys are wanted next week to announce each evening that the ceremonies at the municipal Christmas tree on the state house grounds is about to start. The tree will be lighted Christmas eve, and for seven nights following.

Business in the county treasurer's office decreased today. At the counter was a line of four. Instead of forty. Business improved in the afternoon. Tomorrow is the last day in which taxpayers can receive the 2 1/2 per cent discount. Large corporations are sending their checks by mail. Checks received from the Bell Telephone company, Topeka Street Railway and Edison Electric Light company aggregated a sum of \$41,065.21.

Due to work on the switch at the corner of West street and West Sixth avenue connecting with the Melrose-Gage park extension, service on the asylum and Potwin street car lines was demoralized this morning. Many of the people failed to reach their respective places of business on time. One little two-by-four car which would be ordinarily considered full with fifty passengers carried eighty this morning, and at that took on no passengers east of Fillmore street.

Election of officers of Old Abe camp No. 16 Sons of Veterans, was held Thursday night with the following result: William E. Connelly, commander; Ed Moon, senior vice commander; John W. Fisher, junior vice commander; F. F. Green, W. P. Dennison and S. A. Swendsen, camp council; M. A. R. Hall, secretary; F. W. Bousell, treasurer; W. P. Wilcox, chaplain; E. Nicholson, color bearer; F. F. Green, patriotic instructor; S. A. Swendsen, guide; P. P. Compton, inside guard; W. P. Feder, installing officer.

Christmas giving to the poor has its drawbacks, according to the Rev. John H. Fazel, assistant pastor of the



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AT THE THEATERS.

If favorable press criticism and large audiences are any criterion Manager Gus Hill evidently has cornered the entire laughter market in his latest offering Mutt and Jeff in Panama, and the second of the "Mutt and Jeff" stage series. The offerings, which is in the nature of a melodrama with musical comedy trimmings will be seen at the Grand tomorrow afternoon and night.

A pyramid of thrills on a laughing platform exactly describes "Stop Thief," the new farce success which Cohan and Harris will offer at the Grand on Christmas day. According to the way the New York dramatic critics spoke of the play, it is the best of all the so-called "crook" plays that were presented on Broadway last season. And the same company which convinced the New Yorkers will appear here. An irresistible combination of laughing thrills and suspense forms the appeal in the farce, which is from the pen of Carlyle Moore.

"Along Broadway," a musical show, is at the Novelty for the remainder of the week.

"The Girl of the Hills" is offered at the Majestic this week. Seats are now selling for "The Great John Ganton," which opens on Christmas matinee.

AT THE NOVELTY.

A small man in a brown checked suit skipped through the foyer at the Novelty yesterday, pushed past the door man without presenting a ticket and stationed himself in the back of the house. When the chorus whistled, he whistled, too. When the stage people peered through glasses at an imaginary ocean liner, he ran down the aisle, ascended a plank, and shook hands with everybody. Will Stanton, the comedian in the show, is small in size, but has a fairly big brand of humor.

The play is "Along Broadway" has a skillfully concealed plot about an American heiress who married an English lord. Stanton is the lord. The scenery was nondescript in the first act. The second scene, Rector's, showed the candle-lighted tables and general hilarity of a New York cabaret at night. The plot was dropped about this time, and gave place to what was practically a vaudeville performance. A pretty little violinist, dressed like an

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Cuff Links	50¢ to \$3.00
Handkerchiefs	25¢ to 50¢
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Walking Sticks	\$1.00 to \$5.00
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